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Sir: Transmitted herewith for filing is a patent application by inventor: Stephen J. Williams, Hong Dong Tan, Hung Pin Kao and Wyatt N. Vreeland, entitled:

TANDEM ISOTACHOPHORESIS/ZONE ELECTROPHORESIS METHOD AND SYSTEM

Enclosed are:

- ☒ One stamped, self-addressed postcard for PTO datestamp.
- ☒ Certificate of Express Mail.
- ☒ A Preliminary Amendment.
- ☒ A copy of the executed Declaration of Inventorship from parent application Serial No. 09/933,993 filed 8/20/01.
- ☒ One utility patent application containing text pages 1-29 and 11 sheets of drawings.

2. Amendment

- ☒ Please enter the enclosed Preliminary Amendment before calculating the filing fee.
- ☒ Please cancel original claims 1-22, inclusive, before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim should be retained for filing purposes.)

3. Extension of Time

- ☐ A petition for extension of time has been filed in the parent to extend the pendency of the parent to * (copy enclosed).
- ☒ Conditional Petition for Extension of Time: An Extension of Time is requested to provide for timely filing if required to establish copendency with the parent after all papers filed herewith have been considered.

4. U.S. Priority

- ☒ This application is a divisional of U.S. Serial No. 09/933,993 filed August 20, 2001, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 09/780,638 filed February 10, 2001, which in turn claims priority to U.S. Provisional Applications Serial No. 60/182,049 filed February 11, 2000 and Serial No. 60/185,035 filed February 25, 2000, all of which are incorporated herein by reference.

5. Foreign Priority

- ☐ Priority of Application No. * filed in * on * is claimed under 35 USC §119.
☐ A certified copy of this priority document is enclosed.

6. Prior Documents Still In Effect

- ☒ This application and parent application Serial No. 09/933,993 filed August 20, 2001 are assigned of record to ACLARA BioSciences, Inc., as recorded in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office at Reel 012547 Frame 0816 recorded on January 22, 2002.

7. Entity Status

- ☒ Small entity status is proper for this case.


8. Fees

The filing fee has been calculated taking into account any amendments in section 2 above:

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- ☒ Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$375.00 covering the filing fee. The Commissioner of Patents is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any underpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2207.

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